

# **Program Review**

## **Executive Summary**

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### **Collision Repair**

Majors Reviewed:

- *Collision Repair Technology, A.A.S.*
- *Collision Repair Technician, Certificate*

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The collision repair program has a rich tradition of excellence in teaching and alumni achievement, sharing a common history with the automotive program. Current collision repair students score in the 90-percentile or higher in student ASE exams, and place in the top Skills USA national positions each year. The program has considerable out-of-state enrollment 30%, and the occupational outlook is for modest gains in employment in the marketing area.

Competition in Pennsylvania over the past five years by new, large, aggressive, non-accredited, for-profit collision training centers has impacted enrollment along with the 2008 automotive industry restructuring and recession. Additionally, elective offerings in areas such as auto graphics, aero-enhancements, international travel, and restoration have stabilized teaching loads and course offerings. Restoration electives have led to a new major in Automotive Restoration Technology with good first year enrollment. Thus the enrollment demand trend has reversed and the new partnerships and future potential for additional co-curricular activities, professional and hobbyist seminars, and further elective credit courses will continue to grow the program area.